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S. 2494

To amend title 18 of the United States Code regarding false identification documents.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. PRESSLER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend title 18 of the United States Code regarding false identification documents.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “False Identification
5 Act of 1994”.

6 **SEC. 2. MINIMUM NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS FOR CERTAIN**
7 **OFFENSE.**

8 Section 1028 of title 18, United States Code, is
9 amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)(3), by striking “five” and
2 inserting “3”; and

3 (2) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by striking “five”
4 and inserting “3”.

5 **SEC. 3. REQUIRED VERIFICATION OF MAILED IDENTIFICA-**
6 **TION DOCUMENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 83 of title 18, United
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
9 following:

10 **“§ 1739. Verification of identification documents**

11 “(a) Whoever knowingly sends through the mails any
12 unverified identification document which bears a birth
13 date—

14 “(1) purporting to be that of the individual
15 named in the document; and

16 “(2) showing that individual to be 21 years of
17 age or older;

18 when in fact that individual has not attained the age of
19 21 years, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not
20 more than one year, or both.

21 “(b) As used in this section—

22 “(1) the term ‘unverified’, with respect to an
23 identification document, means that the sender has
24 not personally viewed a certification or other written

1 communication confirming the age of the individual
2 to be identified in the document from—

3 “(A) a governmental entity within the
4 United States or any of its territories or posses-
5 sions; or

6 “(B) a duly licensed physician, hospital,
7 medical clinic within the United States; and

8 “(2) the term “identification document” means
9 a card, certificate, or paper intended to be used pri-
10 marily to identify an individual.”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
12 at the beginning of chapter 83 of title 18, United States
13 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
14 item:

“1739. Verification of identification documents.”.

15 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3001(a) of
16 title 39, United States Code, is amended by striking “or
17 1738” and inserting “1738, or 1739”.

18 **SEC. 4. PILOT PROGRAM ON USE OF CERTAIN DRIVERS’ LI-**
19 **CENSES AS DOCUMENTS ESTABLISHING**
20 **BOTH EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION AND**
21 **IDENTITY.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General shall estab-
23 lish a pilot program under which, in the case of up to three
24 States which provide for the issuance of drivers’ licenses
25 (and related identification documents) in accordance with

1 a system described in subsection (b), a driver's license or
2 similar identification document issued by the States in ac-
3 cordance with subsection (b) shall be treated, for purposes
4 of section 274A(b) of the Immigration and Nationality
5 Act, as a document described in paragraph (1)(B) of such
6 section.

7 (b) SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS.—The system for the is-
8 suance of licenses or documents must—

9 (1) be in a form which is resistant to counter-
10 feiting and tampering, such as tamper-proof lami-
11 nates and photographs, holograms, or magnetic
12 stripes containing such data as physical characteris-
13 tics;

14 (2) include on the driver's license or other form
15 of identification the applicant's social security ac-
16 count number, which number the State has con-
17 firmed with the Social Security Administration as
18 being the number issued to the applicant; and

19 (3) require that an applicant for a driver's li-
20 cense or other form of identification be issued a tem-
21 porary driver's license or other form of identification
22 upon demonstrating qualification therefore, and that
23 the driver's license or other form of identification be
24 mailed to the residence address of the applicant
25 after a waiting period of no more than 30 days in

1 which the State has used reasonable means to con-
2 firm the identification information presented by the
3 applicant.

4 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall
6 submit a report to the Congress on the performance of
7 the pilot program under this section and on whether such
8 program should be extended (on a voluntary or mandatory
9 basis) to all States.

10 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
11 are authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 to carry out
12 the purposes of this section for each of fiscal years 1995,
13 1996, and 1997.

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